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Attorney General Bruning Applauds Upholding of Conviction in Drive-Through Shooting

LINCOLN – Attorney General Jon Bruning today applauded the Nebraska Supreme Court for upholding the conviction of Antoine D. Young in the 2007 shooting death of an Omaha man.

Young was convicted of killing 33-year-old Ray Webb, a father of four, as Webb sat in the drive-through lane of an Omaha Taco Bell. Young was sentenced to life in prison for First Degree Murder, with an additional 40 years added for Use of a Weapon to Commit a Felony.

"Mr. Webb was shot five times at point-blank range in broad daylight," Bruning said. "This was a callous murder and a life sentence is warranted."

Young's appeal claimed his counsel was ineffective and the jury was given inappropriate instructions. Both arguments were rejected by the Supreme Court.

Assistant Attorney General Stacy Foust handled the case for the state.

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